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**From:** Hackel, Angela [Hackel.Angela@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/15/2020 5:52:04 PM  
**To:** Jenkins, Brandi [Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Press Region 4 - Inquiry re: Fla 404 assumption

I pinged Jess a bit ago.

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**From:** Jenkins, Brandi <Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020 1:52 PM  
**To:** Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Press Region 4 - Inquiry re: Fla 404 assumption

Any luck?

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**From:** Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020 1:17 PM  
**To:** Jenkins, Brandi <Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Press Region 4 - Inquiry re: Fla 404 assumption

Yep!

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**From:** Jenkins, Brandi <Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020 1:17 PM  
**To:** Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Press Region 4 - Inquiry re: Fla 404 assumption

I can. Will you help me get it approved?

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 15, 2020, at 1:14 PM, Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Brandi,

Will you get back to both outlets?

Just let me know.

Thanks,

Angela

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**From:** Jenkins, Brandi <Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020 1:13 PM  
**To:** Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>; regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Risley, David <Risley.David@epa.gov>; Fuld, John <Fuld.John@epa.gov>; Wise, Allison <Wise.Allison@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Press Region 4 - Inquiry re: Fla 404 assumption

Below is R4's proposed response to Politico and Bloomberg. OW is on this email thread as well.

## **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Also, here is a quick response to the questions from Politico:

Q: The notice references an Aug 27 memo from David Ross. Can you tell me if this undated memo is that one? [https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2020-08/documents/esa\\_consultation\\_policy\\_for\\_404g.pdf](https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2020-08/documents/esa_consultation_policy_for_404g.pdf)

**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Q: Also, can you tell me the timeline for both the ESA consultation and the 404 request decision?

## **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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On Sep 15, 2020, at 11:21 AM, Jenkins, Brandi <[Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov](mailto:Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov)> wrote:

Thanks Angela. We can coordinate with OW on a response. An extension would be good.

Brandi

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 15, 2020, at 11:14 AM, Hackel, Angela  
<[Hackel.Angela@epa.gov](mailto:Hackel.Angela@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hello everyone,

Please see the below. She is hoping to hear back by noon. (I am checking to see if she can extend or update).

Please let me know how you would like to respond.

Thanks,

Angela

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**From:** Annie Snider <[asnider@politico.com](mailto:asnider@politico.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020 10:42 AM  
**To:** Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>; Block, Molly  
<[Molly.Block@mail.house.gov](mailto:Molly.Block@mail.house.gov)>; Hewitt, James  
<[hewitt.james@epa.gov](mailto:hewitt.james@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Inquiry re: Fla 404 assumption

Hi all, I see that Florida's request for assumption is in tomorrow's Federal Register. I also see that EPA has flipped its interpretation of whether ESA consultation is required for this step. The notice references an Aug 27 memo from David Ross. Can you tell me if this undated memo is that one? [https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2020-08/documents/esa\\_consultation\\_policy\\_for\\_404g.pdf](https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2020-08/documents/esa_consultation_policy_for_404g.pdf)

Also, can you tell me the timeline for both the ESA consultation and the 404 request decision?

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